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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

VIA: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

FROM: Walter Elder  
Executive Secretary, NFIB

SUBJECT: Revised Numbering System for DCI Directives


1. Action Requested: That you approve the attached numbering system for the DCI directives and authorize its dissemination to holders of DCI directives.

2. Background: Since the beginning of the exercise to review the DCI directives, there has been a steady clamor to number the directives. We have reached the point where this is now feasible. A revised numbering system is attached for your consideration.

The revised system breaks away from the practice of basing the numbering of the DCID's on the numbering of the NSCID's. This judgment is based on the recognition that the current set of NSCID's (which date back to 1972) has been superseded by the issuance of three versions of a comprehensive Executive Order (11905, 12036, and 12333). The current Executive Order serves as the basic National Security Council Intelligence Directive.

The revised numbering system is tied to major responsibilities of the DCI as set forth in the Executive Order. In the interest of continuity, the revised system carries on time-honored categories and numbers. For example, it is difficult to think of espionage and counterintelligence activities governed by any number other than 5.

The revised system, in my opinion, can stand regardless of how any revision of the NSCID's comes out.

  
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Approved:

*John M. Callahan*  
Acting Director of Central Intelligence

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Director of Central Intelligence

Date: 03 APR 1984

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